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In re Patent Application of )  
Toshihiko ASHIKARI et al ) Group Art Unit: 1638  
Application No.: 08/894,356 ) Examiner: Medina Ahmed Ibrahim  
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For: GENE ENCODING A PROTEIN )  
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 22, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 42-45 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please replace claims 1-3, 5-12, 20, 22, 23, 25, 28, 29-36 and 46-53 as follows:

1. (Five Times Amended) An isolated polynucleotide encoding an anthocyanin acyltransferase.

2. <sup>Twice</sup> (Amended) The polynucleotide according to claim 1 produced by the process of cloning using as a primer a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID No. 21.